

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The French have taken the town of Poodle after a dog-goned hard fight.

Candidate Hughes continues to make speeches without saying anything.

Ignatius D. Lincoln, self-styled German spy sent to London for trial, got three years.

There are 469,711 Kentuckians available for war duty between the ages of 18 and 46, and 21,000,000 in the whole country.

W. J. Bryan spoke against military training in the public schools before the National Education Association meeting in New York.

John M. Parker, of Louisiana, Progressive candidate for Vice President, issued a statement urging the voters to continue the fight against the Democratic party.

Five persons were killed and 357 injured as a result of Fourth of July celebrations in the United States, according to reports gathered up to late that night.

Theodore Roosevelt, addressing a Fourth of July audience at Oyster Bay, said he preferred war to the peace the United States is now having with Mexico.

Forty-one of the eighty-nine officers and men of A company, crack unit of the First Regiment, were rejected by United States medical examiners at Ft. Thomas.

The Senate voted to strike from the agricultural bill the appropriation for seeds to be distributed by members of congress to their constituents. The item heretofore always has been restored in conference.

Co. A, Louisville's crack company, lost half of its members on the federal examination, Capt. John Norman himself and two of his Sergeants falling on the doctor's first fire. The other companies are liable to fare ever worse.

Carranza's reply indicates that he is ready to yield but is playing for time. As a matter of fact the Mexicans have neither money nor munitions with which to wage war. Their ports would of course be blockaded and the whole country occupied without serious resistance.

Gen. Trevino reported Monday to the Mexican war department that a number of wounded American soldiers who belonged to detachments engaged in the fight at Carrizal have been found in different parts of the State of Chihuahua. He stated that they were being returned to the American side as soon as encountered.

The Evansville Courier on July 2 issued another of its big special editions. It was a midsummer edition containing 72 pages and containing a varied assortment of interesting articles. It shows in great detail the progress and attractions of Evansville in midsummer, the mammoth number being sold at the regular price of five cents. The Courier is a very enterprising paper, with a first-class news service.

MAJOR-TROTTER.

Mr. T. Hendricks Major, recently of this county, and Miss Valley Stephens Trotter, of Slaton, Tenn., were married at the home of the bride's uncle, in Clarksville, on June 30. They will live on the farm of the groom near Marion, Tenn.

Sixty-Year Old Tobacco.

Princeton, Ky., July 4.—Probably the oldest tobacco now extant in the United States is in the possession of Mr. Will Moore, a railway mail clerk of this place. The tobacco was grown on a farm in Tennessee in 1856 and is therefore sixty years old.

Potash is being made by a West Virginia company from the waste stems of tobacco plants.

CARRANZA ANSWERS WITH A QUIBBLE

Note Conciliatory and Argumentative After Long Delay.

AN ULTIMATUM NEEDED

Leaves The Actual Settlement Still a Matter of Further Correspondence.

Washington, July 5.—Gen. Carranza's formal reply to the two sharp notes he has received from the Washington government, regarding the situation on the border and in northern Mexico was received July 4.

A verbal synopsis of the communication made public by embassy attaches with the approval of Mr. Arredondo, indicates that it is of an unexpected conciliatory character.

Lacking the text of the note, it was impossible to say whether it would prove satisfactory to President Wilson. Since the release of the American troops taken at Carrizal, the question at issue between the Washington government and Gen. Carranza has been narrowed to Mr. Wilson's desire for a formal declaration of intention toward the American expeditionary forces in Mexico. The embassy synopsis of the new note indicates that a specific statement is still lacking.

According to the embassy synopsis of the communication which officials believe was prepared personally by Gen. Carranza, it renews assurances that the defacto government will restore order in northern Mexico and establish an adequate guard against border raiders. It is said to suggest that the presence of American troops in Mexico serves only to increase unsettled conditions in the border states but not to make any new demand for their withdrawal.

It is not known whether any mention is made of previous orders to Gen. Trevino that American troops be attacked if they move east, south or west in Mexico. Apparently the communication avoids the definite diplomatic statement in that regard sought by Secretary Lansing, and substitutes an argument as to the general situation.

The note also is said to point out that the principle of mediation as suggested by various Latin-American powers has been accepted by the defacto government and to invite the Washington administration to express its views. Gen. Carranza believes however, more could be accomplished by direct negotiations between Washington and Mexico city officials than would be possible through mediation proceedings.

The war department continued without abatement today its efforts to complete mobilization of national guards at the border.

New Manager.

Mr. J. D. Scarborough has been transferred from Hopkinsville to this city as manager of the W. A. Chambers Wholesale Grocery. He comes to fill the vacancy caused by the calling out of Mr. Traugher, who is a member of the local military company. Mr. Scarborough's family will shortly move to this city. Mr. Dorris Haines, who travels for the company in this section, is also a member of Company M, but his successor has not been named.—Russellville News-Democrat.

Another War Bride.

James McCormick, a member of the local company of the National Guard and Miss Mettie Heldt were married at Leitchfield June 29. McCormick came from Owensboro to join the local company and he and his sweetheart decided to be married before he was ordered to the front.

GERMANY IS HARD PRESSED ON ALL SIDES

French Troops Take Two Villages and Straighten Out Line on Somme but Again Lose Thiaumont Work at Verdun—British Make Only Slight Progress.

RUSSIAN PATROLS ENTER HUNGARY.

Heavy Fighting Continues All Along Front of Allied Drive in West—Russians and Italians Co-operate in Combined Blow—Slavs Fighting All Along Line.

London, July 5.—Russian cavalry patrols have crossed the Carpathians and entered Hungary, according to a wireless dispatch received here today from Bucharest.

The French troops, co-operating with the British in the Somme river region, have straightened their line somewhat by the capture of Darleux, Belloy-en-Santerre and Estrees, and are advancing on a considerably wider front to Peronne. At Estrees, where 500 prisoners were taken, the fighting is still going on furiously.

On the British end of the line only slight progress has been made at some points. Unofficial dispatches say that the entire British front of ninety miles is bearing its full share of the battle, but it is toward the south that the heaviest fighting is under way.

Although the French are making a steady advance in the Somme sector without apparently heavy casualties and now face an easier task, according to expert opinion, to reach their objective, the river itself, the Verdun army is engaged in particularly heavy fighting, the Germans not having permitted the battle of the Somme to interfere with their operations for the capture of the great fortress.

REMARKABLE CHANGES.

"Ten years ago," says Farm and Fireside, "railroad officials no doubt believe that freight was being transported fairly economically. But that was before the movement for increased efficiency spread over the country. In 1914 the average trainload was 452 tons as compared with 1904. Stated differently, it would have been necessary in 1904 to run 1,600,000,000 train miles to handle the same traffic that was handled in 1914 by running approximately 500,000,000 train miles. Railroad freight transportation may therefore be considered three times as efficient as it was ten years ago."

Hetty Green.

Mrs. Hetty Green, known as the world's wealthiest woman, who was 82 years old, died Monday. She had suffered three strokes of paralysis during the past two months and for several weeks had been practically helpless. Her death occurred at the home of her son, Col. Edward H. R. Green, at No. 5 West Nineteenth street, adjoining the plain brick four-story house at No. 7, on the corner of Central Park West, where Mrs. Green had lately lived in seclusion, except for her son and several Japanese servants and trained nurses.

Hetty Green was the world's most remarkable mistress of finance. The fortune she had left is close to \$100,000,000. The richest woman in America, she lived almost as frugally as a shop girl. Her home was wherever she chose for a time to hang her little black cape and bonnet, often in the hall room of some cheap boarding, or in some remote and modest flat around New York.

Her eccentric extremes of economy led to popular misconception of her as a "self-made woman." As a matter of fact she was born rich.

The death of Mrs. Green will release for distribution among a large number of people scattered all over the United States and abroad, a trust fund said to amount to about \$1,500,000. This is the residuary estate of her aunt, Sylvia Ann Howland, bequeathed for Hetty Green's great-grandfather.

There is one grocery store to every 300 inhabitants in this country.

On the Verdun front the Germans have taken the Thiaumont work for the fourth time, after a terrific bombardment and by a masked attack.

Simultaneous with the opening of the Anglo-French offensive, the Russian armies are again attacking on the whole length of their front. An entirely new offensive has been opened against Prince Leopold's Bavarian forces in the region of Baranovichi where the Russians have pierced the German lines at two places, while the Italians are maintaining strong pressure along their entire front.

The British newspapers consider that these events prove that the moment of the "great squeeze" has at last arrived and not since the war began have hopes run so high. Nevertheless almost ever British correspondent on the western front warns against being over sanguine and daily reiterates that the progress must necessarily be slow and methodical.

Up to the present the Anglo-French captures in the battle of the Somme total more than 14,000 prisoners, 12 heavy guns and 28 field guns. This booty represents for the man in the street a very satisfactory result of a little over three days' fighting.

21 MILLION ABLE TO BEAR ARMS

Washington, July 5.—A Census Bureau table issued estimated the number of able-bodied men of military age in the United States at about 21,000,000 men.

The estimate is based on the assumption that there has been an increase of 10 per cent. in the population since 1910, when the total male population over eighteen years and under forty-six was 19,183,000. Of this number, 14,224,000 were native whites, 2,867,000 were foreign-born whites who had become naturalized, 2,050,000 were negroes and 50,000 were Indians.

During the Civil War, when the population of the country exclusive of the seceding States was less than one-fourth as great as the total present population, the number of men serving in the Northern army at one time or another was 2,500,000. There are four States, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Illinois, where the men of military age number more than 1,000,000. In geographical subdivisions the total for Northern States is 13,091,615, for the Southern States 6,006,139 and for the Western States 1,970,322.

Sly-Wise.

Evansville, Ind., July 5.—William Sly, 66 years old, of Hopkinsville, Ky., and Mrs. Nettie Wise, 58 years old, whose home was in Detroit, Mich., were united in marriage here by Magistrate Benjamin F. Morris, and they will reside in Hopkinsville. It was the fourth marriage for Sly and the third matrimonial venture for his bride.

Fred Gilbert Reports.

Maj. G. T. Berry was ordered to join the Third Kentucky Regiment, and F. W. Gilbert to the Hopkinsville company, both at Ft. Thomas which is opposite Cincinnati. They left Friday.—Morganfield Sun.

Enlists in Michigan.

Richard Hogan, son of Russell Hogan, of Trenton, has enlisted with a Michigan Regiment for service in Mexico. He has recently been employed in the Hudson Automobile Factory, at Detroit.—Elkton Times.

DAVIS NEW PRESIDENT

Of The H. B. M. A., as Result of Monday's Election.

LIST OF THE DIRECTORS

Most of The Old Board of Directors are Again Chosen.



L. H. DAVIS.

The annual election of officers of the Hopkinsville Business Men's Association was held Monday between the hours of 6 a. m., and 4 p. m. The voting was by secret ballot and the election was conducted by R. T. Stowe and Odie Davis. A total of 83 votes were cast.

The nominations for President were Geo. E. Gary and J. M. Neblett, but Lucian H. Davis, a third candidate, was voted for and elected.

W. R. Wheeler and L. E. Foster were nominated for Vice President and Mr. Wheeler was elected.

J. A. Browning, Jr., was re-elected Treasurer without opposition.

There were 24 nominations for directors, 12 to be elected.

The following were successful: R. E. Cooper, C. R. Clark, H. M. Frankel, V. L. Gates, D. W. Kitchen, E. C. Radford, F. K. Yost, J. O. Cook, J. T. Wall, S. L. Cowherd, V. M. Williamson, A. W. Wood.

The last two were not nominated but won as "dark horse" candidates. Most of the others were old members re-elected.

The Secretary is to be elected by the Board of Directors, it is understood that the present Secretary, Mr. John W. Richards, will succeed himself for another year.

Mr. Davis, the new President, has been a member of the Directory for the last three years and Chairman of the Finance Committee for the last year. He will accept the office to which he is elected and continue to foster the various enterprises in which the H. B. M. A. has been engaged and start as many new ones as possible.

CONVICTS ARE TAKEN AWAY

Some Go to Each of Three State Penal Institutions.

The eight colored prisoners given sentences were sent this week to prison, 5 to Eddyville, one to Frankfort and two to Lexington.

They are:
To Eddyville
Dan Harper, 1 year, stealing.
Robt. Waller, 1 year, stealing.
Sam Gilchrist, 1 year, housebreaking.
Elder Waters, 2 years, forgery.
Jim Diuguid, 1 year, larceny.
To Frankfort
Annie Pearl, 1 year, housebreaking.
To Lexington Reform School
Clifton Sharp, 1 year.
Davis Cole, 1 year.
Low Johnson, Jr., and Bob Tunks took the Eddyville bunch and Watt Dollins and Esq. Sylvester Reese took the others.

The deepest gold mine in the world is in Brazil.

OLD GLORY PRAISED

In Eloquent and Fervent Outbursts of Patriotic Oratory.

HEARD BY BIG CROWD

Informal Celebration at Virginia Park on The Glorious Fourth.

The celebration of the Fourth of July at Virginia Park Tuesday night from 8 to 9:30 o'clock proved to be a very successful affair, though without much preparation in advance. It was largely informal, but probably 1500 people attended and some fine and stirring short addresses were made. Messrs. C. F. Jarrett and C. A. Brasher jointly presided but at their request Chas. M. Meacham introduced the speakers.

The invocation was pronounced by Rev. J. N. Jessup, of the Christian church. This was followed by music by an orchestra of fiddlers, W. F. Randle, T. E. Bartley, S. T. Fruit, Harry Carroll, Robt. McCarroll and S. E. Yancey.

Speeches, interspersed with music, were made by Claude Clark, Oglesby Soyars, Thos. C. Underwood, Robt. Brumfield and W. R. Howell.

All were typical fourth-of-July orations, intensely patriotic and greatly appreciated. Frequent bursts of applause interrupted the speakers and everybody was pleased with the celebration. As a special feature of the program, Miss Virginia Pursley beautifully recited "The Blue and the Gray" and at the conclusion the presiding officers one clad in blue and the other in gray arose and clasped hands amid great applause. The crowd dispersed to the sweet strains of patriotic airs played by the "old fiddlers."

OTHER CELEBRATIONS.

The Elks held their annual picnic at Campbell's Cave and a fine dinner was served and all enjoyed the occasion greatly.

At Kelly there was also a big gathering of old soldiers and others with a dance in the woods and a general celebration. Several speeches were made.

The Fourth was celebrated at Cerulean Springs by a big rush of visitors and a dance at night. Hopkinsville was well represented.

The Elks at Earlinton had their usual annual barbecue and dance at the Lake. Blakemore's orchestra of this city made the music.

CHILD IS HIT

By Automobile But Escapes Serious Injury.

George Long Coates, the little five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Coates, was struck and knocked down yesterday morning by a car driven by J. K. Hooser in turning the corner at Ninth and Main. Mr. Hooser stopped the car almost instantly and the little fellow was not seriously hurt, but had a very close call.

Cross Ready to Go.

The farmers in Christian county have perfected an organization which has for its purpose, the cultivation of crops and keeping up the farms, free of charge, for those who go to the front, to fight Mexico, by those who stay at home. If some one will run our business, take as good care of it as we do, free of charge, darned if we don't go and assist in pulling Carranza's whiskers.—Benton Tribune-Democrat.

Lost Only Child.

Martha, aged 5 years, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ledford, of the Pee Dee neighborhood, died Tuesday.

Lyddite is picric acid melted with a